

**Annual Reporting for High-Cost Recipients
47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(2) through (a)(6) and (h)
Rice Belt Telephone Company, Inc.**

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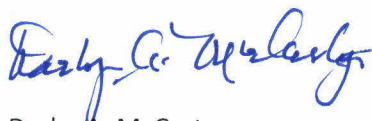
Ms. Karen Majcher
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RE: WC Docket No. 10-90: Annual Reporting Requirements for High-Cost Recipients §54.313 (a)(2) through (a)(6) and (h)

Pursuant to Section 54.313(a)(2) through (a)(6) and (h) of the Federal Communications Commission's rules, enclosed are the 2012 annual reporting requirements and certifications for Rice Belt Telephone Company, Inc., Study Area Code 401721. Rice Belt Telephone Company, Inc. is a state-designated ETC, and as such, is submitting to the Commission relevant information from reports it files with its state commission for §54.313 (a)(2) through (a)(4).

Should you have any questions, please contact me via email at darbymccarty@smithville.net or by phone at 812-876-2211.

Sincerely,



Darby A. McCarty
President

Enclosures

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OUTAGE REPORTING – §54.313 (a)(2)

Detailed information on any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an eligible telecommunications carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect (i) At least ten percent of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) A 911 special facility, as defined in 47 C.F.R. 4.5(e). 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(2).

Detailed Outage Information for 2011						
Date of Outage	Time of Outage	Description of Outage and Resolution	Particular Services Affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent Future Recurrences	Number of Customers Affected
		NONE				

UNFULFILLED SERVICE REQUESTS – §54.313(a)(3)

There were no unfilled requests for service during calendar year 2011.

NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS PER 1,000 CONNECTIONS – §54.313(a)(4)

During calendar year 2011, Rice Belt Telephone Company, Inc. received 0 complaints per 1,000 working access lines.

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**§54.313(a)(5) – COMPLIANCE WITH SERVICE QUALITY STANDARDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
RULES**

Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules Annual Certification

Darby A. McCarty	President	Rice Belt Telephone Company Inc.
Printed Name of Officer	Title of Officer	Company Name

I am authorized to provide this certification on behalf of the Company. I hereby certify that the Company is in compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.

Executed on

6/26/2012

Date

Signature

Darby A. McCarty

Darby A. McCarty

Printed/Typed Name

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§54.313(a)(6) – ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Ability to Function in Emergency Situations Annual Certification

Darby A. McCarty	President	Rice Belt Telephone Company, Inc.
Printed Name of Officer	Title of Officer	Company Name

I am authorized to provide this certification on behalf of the Company. I hereby certify that the Company is capable of functioning in emergency situations. The Company has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.

Executed on

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Signature

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ADDITIONAL VOICE RATE DATA – §54.313(h)

As of June 1, 2012, Rice Belt Telephone Company, Inc. had the following rates for residential local service, as well as state fees as defined pursuant to §54.318(e), that are below the local urban rate floor as defined in §54.318:

Class of Service	Residential Local Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State USF Surcharge	Mandatory EAS	Number of Lines
Residential Local Service	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	644

